

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-21 are pending. By this Amendment, the Abstract and claims 1-2, 4, 6, and 8-10 are amended, and new claims 11-21 are added. The Abstract is amended to correct informalities. No new matter is added. Support for the claims can be found throughout the specification and the original claims. No new matter is added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is thanked for the indication that claims 8-10 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. However, for the reasons discussed below, dependent claims 8-10 have not been rewritten in independent form at this time.

The Office Action rejected claims 1-6 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Mooney et al. (hereinafter "Mooney"), U.S. Patent No. 4,635,836. The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Mooney discloses a twist-off detachable belt clip assembly. The detachable belt clip 150 includes a base structure 155 having a hook 160 and apertures 165 configured to mate with respective slot 130 and bosses 135 in a pager housing 100. The detachable mounting clip 150 further includes a single arm clip 170 attached to the base structure 155.

However, with respect to independent claim 1, Mooney fails to disclose or suggest the combination of a terminal unit holder, a clamp provided on one side of the terminal unit holder and adapted to resiliently clip a belt worn by a user between first and second clamp arms of the

clamp, and connecting means for rotatably connecting the clamp to the terminal unit holder. Rather, Mooney merely discloses a clamp 150 capable of detachably mounting on the pager housing 100. If the Examiner asserts that the base structure 155 corresponds to the terminal unit holder, Mooney does not disclose or suggest a clamp adapted to resiliently clip a belt worn by a user between first and second clamp arms of the clamp. Clip 170 only includes one arm, as shown in Figure 2. Mooney further fails to disclose or suggest a connecting means for rotatably connecting the clamp to the terminal unit holder, as the base structure 155 is attached to the pager housing via hook 160 and aperture 165 which mate with slots 130 and bosses 135 provided on the pager housing 100. If the Examiner asserts that the base structure 155 and clip 170 to correspond to the first and second clamp arms, Mooney does not disclose or suggest a terminal unit holder or a connecting means for rotatably connecting the clamp to the terminal unit holder.

Accordingly, the rejection of independent claim 1 over Mooney should be withdrawn. Dependent claims 2-6, as well as previously indicated allowable dependent claims 8-10, are allowable at least for the reasons discussed above with respect to independent claim 1, from which they depend, as well as for their added features.

Added claims 11-21 also define over the applied prior art.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that any additional changes

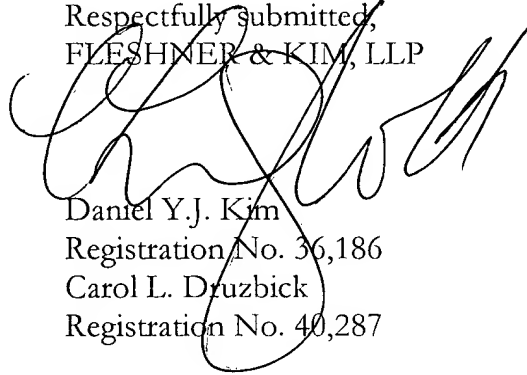
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would place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney, Carol L. Druzbeck, at the telephone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this, concurrent and future replies, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 16-0607 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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